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1. WE CONTINUING MEET WITH BANIERJI (INDIAN SUPPLY MISSION, WASHINGTON) ON ALL ASPECTS OF QUALITY PROBLEMS WITH US GRAIN SHIPPED TO INDIA AND WILL KEEP EMBASSY INFORMED AS THESE DISCUSSIONS DEVELOP.

2. REGARDING SPECIFIC QUESTIONS CONTAINED REFTEL, US HAS NO RPT NO ESTABLISHED TOLERANCE FOR JIMSON WEED SEED CONTAMINATION IN FOOD GRAINS.

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3. ARGENTINA REQUIRES THAT GRAIN SORGHUM AT TIME OF ARRIVAL AT GRAIN BOARD INSTALLATION, CONTAIN NOT MORE THAN 20 CHAMICO SEEDS (DATURA FEROX) PER 1000 GRAMS. IT IS CLAIMED THAT AT TIME GRAIN IS SHIPPED FROM GRAIN BOARD INSTALLATION, CHAMICO IS WELL BELOW THIS TOLERANCE.

4. AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND ARE ONLY COUNTRIES WE KNOW OF (OTHER THAN INDIA) SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITING JIMSON WEED SEED IN GRAIN IMPORTS.

5. ALKALOIDS OF TYPE CONTAINED IN JIMSON WEED SEED ARE HIGHLY STABLE. HEATING IN PROCESS OF MAKING CHAPPATIS

CAN NOT REPEAT NOT BE EXPECTED TO APPRECIABLY REDUCE TOXINS. ROGERS

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